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## Little League<sup>®</sup> International Approved to Pursue Opportunity in Whitestown, Ind., for Central Region Headquarters Location

Little League<sup>®</sup> International Board of Directors approve decision during annual meeting.

**SOUTH WILLIAMSPORT, Pa.** (August 24, 2018) – During its annual August meeting, the Little League<sup>®</sup> International Board of Directors approved an offer to relocate its Central Region Headquarters to Whitestown, Ind., pending the completion of a formal agreement.

"After a thorough evaluation of local communities within the Central Region, the Little League International Board of Directors are pleased that this opportunity involving Whitestown was presented to us and we are looking forward to seeing what the community has to offer," said Hugh E. Tanner, Little League International Board of Directors Chairman. "This opportunity takes us one step closer to finding a home for our Central Region Headquarters and we are excited to see how the Whitestown community will be able to support Little Leaguers throughout the region."

Little League International will work with local Whitestown officials and community members throughout the process. At this time, there are no additional details regarding the selection process or any future plans. Little League International will continue to provide information as it becomes available.

Established in 1989, the Central Region Headquarters is one of five Little League regional offices located in the United States and serves as the administrative center for Little League Baseball and Softball activities in Kansas, Kentucky, Illinois, Indiana, Iowa, Michigan, Minnesota, Missouri, Nebraska, North Dakota, Ohio, South Dakota, and Wisconsin.

Collectively, the Central Region Headquarters, with the guidance and assistance provided by 89 volunteer District Administrators, coordinates operations for approximately 26,000 teams and 375,000 players participating in all levels of Little League Baseball and Softball.

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Founded in 1939, Little League<sup>®</sup> Baseball and Softball is the world's largest organized youth sports program, with nearly 2.4 million players and one million adult volunteers in every U.S. state and more than 80 other countries. During its nearly 80 years of existence, Little League has seen more than 40 million honored graduates, including public officials, professional athletes, award-winning artists, and a <u>variety of other influential members of society</u>. Each year, millions of people follow the hard work, dedication, and sportsmanship that Little Leaguers<sup>®</sup> display at our seven baseball and softball World Series events, the premier tournaments in youth sports. For more information, visit <u>LittleLeague.org</u>, and follow Little League on Facebook (<u>facebook.com/LittleLeague</u>), Twitter (<u>twitter.com/LittleLeague</u>), and Instagram (<u>Instagram.com/LittleLeague</u>).

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